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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the above captioned patent application (which is filed herewith), and for calculation of the proper filing fee, Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered.

In the Specification:

Please insert the following new paragraph at page 1, line 2:

-- RELATED APPLICATIONS

--This is a continuation application claiming priority under 35 USC §120 to US serial number 10/002796 filed 11/15/01 which claims priority under 35 USC § 119 to US provisional application numbers: 60/056974 Filed 8/26/97; 60/059115 Filed 9/17/97; 60/059263 Filed 9/18/97; 60/059588 Filed 9/17/97; 60/062285 Filed 10/17/97; 60/062816 Filed 10/24/97; 60/063082 Filed 10/31/97; 60/063329 Filed 10/27/97; 60/063733 Filed 10/29/97; 60/066364 Filed 11/21/97; 60/066840 Filed 11/25/97; 60/069694 Filed 12/16/97; 60/074086 Filed 2/9/98; 60/074092 Filed 2/9/98; 60/079294 Filed 3/25/98; 60/081049 Filed 4/8/98; 60/095998 Filed

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In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 1-39 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add new Claims 40-59 as follows.

- --40. (New) An isolated nucleic acid having at least 80% nucleic acid sequence identity to:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
 - (e) the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8);
- (f) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8); or
- (g) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203406.

- 41. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 40 having at least 85% nucleic acid sequence identity to:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
 - (e) the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8);
- (f) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8); or
- (g) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203406.
- 42. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 40 having at least 90% nucleic acid sequence identity to:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
 - (e) the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8);
- (f) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8); or

- (g) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203406.
- 43. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 40 having at least 95% nucleic acid sequence identity to:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
 - (e) the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8);
- (f) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8); or
- (g) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203406.
- 44. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 40 having at least 99% nucleic acid sequence identity to:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;

- (e) the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8);
- (f) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8); or
- (g) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203406.
 - 45. (New) An isolated nucleic acid comprising:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
 - (e) the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8);
- (f) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8); or
- (g) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203406.
- 46. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 45 comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9).
- 47. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 45 comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide.
 - 48. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 45 comprising a nucleic acid sequence

encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9).

- 49. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 45 comprising a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide.
- 50. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 45 comprising the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8).
- 51. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 45 comprising the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8).
- 52. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 45 comprising the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession number 203406.
 - 53. (New) An isolated nucleic acid that hybridizes to:
 - (a) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (b) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
- (c) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9);
- (d) a nucleic acid sequence encoding the extracellular domain of the polypeptide shown in Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO:9), lacking its associated signal peptide;
 - (e) the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8);
- (f) the full-length coding sequence of the nucleic acid sequence shown in Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:8); or
 - (g) the full-length coding sequence of the cDNA deposited under ATCC accession

number 203406.

- 54. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 53, wherein said hybridization occurs under stringent conditions.
- 55. (New) The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 53 which is at least 10 nucleotides in length.
 - 56. (New) A vector comprising the nucleic acid of Claim 40.
- 57. (New) The vector of Claim 56, wherein said nucleic acid is operably linked to control sequences recognized by a host cell transformed with the vector.
 - 58. (New) A host cell comprising the vector of Claim 56.
- 59. (New) The host cell of Claim 58, wherein said cell is a CHO cell, an *E. coli* or a yeast cell.--

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REMARKS

Claims 1-39 have been cancelled. New Claims 40-59 have been added. Applicants respectfully request early entry of these new claims for prosecution in this application. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (650)225-4563 if any issues may be resolved in that manner.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the and by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

In the specification:

A new paragraph beginning at page 1, line 2 has been added.

In the claims:

Claims 1-39 have been cancelled.

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